



## **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

### **Alzheimer's Disease Research Awards**

**Alzheimer's Disease Program  
Department of Public Health  
State of California**

**June 2011**

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Alzheimer's Disease Program (ADP) is announcing the availability of funding for Alzheimer's disease-related research.

**Scope:** Applications on the pathology; diagnosis, treatment, and care; etiology; and the economic and social impacts of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders will be considered for funding. Pilot projects to establish feasibility, startup grants, ongoing research activities, and multidisciplinary or collaborative research activities are eligible for funding. Examples of topics relevant to this call for applications include:

- Molecular and cellular studies on age-related brain pathology
- Improving diagnosis, treatment, and services to underserved and vulnerable populations in California
- Detection of dementia by primary care practitioners
- Developing biological markers for monitoring disease progression or response to therapy
- Pharmacological and behavioral interventions to slow and prevent the progression of dementia
- Assessment and pharmacological/non-pharmacological management of mood and behavioral disturbances
- Identifying basic mechanisms of Alzheimer's disease and mechanisms shared by multiple neurodegenerative disorders
- Increasing the quality of dementia care in health care delivery systems
- Innovative methods of linking research findings and technological advances with clinical practice, medical education, and new medical settings

**Funds:** Approximately \$551,000 is anticipated to be available for awards in FY2012–2013. Awards are for one (1) year and may be renewable for up to two (2) additional years, depending upon successful progression of research activities and the availability of funds. Future funding is dependent upon appropriations from the State Legislature and contributions to the state income tax check-off fund. The number of grants awarded will be dependent upon the amounts awarded per funded application. Applications will be considered in two categories:

- **Individual Investigator Awards:** grant awards of up to \$80,000 per project (inclusive of 8 percent indirect costs), per fiscal year. Up to six (6) awards may be made in this category.

- **Consortium Awards:** grant awards of up to \$160,000 per project (inclusive of 8 percent indirect costs), per fiscal year. Up to two (2) awards may be made in this category. These grants may be made to an institution in support of a research project in which the project is carried out through a collaborative, formalized agreement between the grantee institution and two (2) or more participating institutions.

Applicants may apply in either or both categories.

CDPH reserves the right to fund any or none of the applications received as a result of this announcement and the subsequent Request for Applications (RFA).

**Eligibility:** California public or private not-for-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Applicants must be California-based, and all relevant project activities must take place in California.

New investigators are encouraged to apply. Applicants who have previously received awards from the ADP are eligible to apply for new research awards. Renewals of existing projects will not be considered.

<b>Time Line:</b>	June 1, 2011	Call for Applications mailed/posted on Program web page ♦
	July 1, 2011	Non-binding Letters of Intent due
	July 11, 2011	Application e-mailed/posted on the Program web page
	August 26, 2011	Applications due in Program office no later than 5:00 P.M.
	December 21, 2011	Notice of Intent to Award posted on Program web page.
		Applicants notified by e-mail
	July 1, 2012	Funding begins

**Letters of Intent:** Interested parties should submit a Letter of Intent using the applicable attached form (Individual Investigator Award or Consortium Award) to the ADP July 1, 2011. Letters of Intent may be submitted by USPS, facsimile, or e-mail (preferred) to the appropriate address below.

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